

## DECISION NOTICE OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET

<b>DATE OF DECISION</b>	28/07/2025
<b>DATE DECISION PUBLISHED</b>	29/07/25
<b>DATE DECISION WILL COME INTO FORCE</b> and implemented, unless the decision is called in, in accordance with section 7.25 of the Gwynedd Council Constitution	05/08/25

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### NAME AND TITLE OF THE CABINET MEMBER

Cabinet Member for Housing and Property: Cllr. Paul Rowlinson

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### SUBJECT - Purchase of 48 Gorseddfa, Criccieth

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### DECISION

To purchase the property known as 48 Gorseddfa, Criccieth to meet the Children's Department's requirements on terms and conditions to be determined by the Head of Housing and Property Department.

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### REASON WHY THE DECISION IS NEEDED

Please see attached Officer Report.

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### DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL'S STANDARDS COMMITTEE

None.

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### ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

Consultation with  
Gwynedd Council Statutory Officers

The results of the consultations are reported upon in the attached report

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Name and title of Cabinet Member(s):	Cllr. Paul Rowlinson
Name and designation of the Report's Author:	Efan Thomas MRICS Senior Estates Surveyor
Date of Decision:	28/07/2025
Cabinet Member(s)'s Signature:	

### **Subject:**

Purchase of 48 Gorseddfa, Criccieth

### **Recommendation for the Decision:**

To purchase the property known as 48 Gorseddfa, Criccieth to meet the Children's Department's requirements on terms and conditions to be determined by the Head of Housing and Property Department.

### **The reason for the need for a Decision:**

The acquisition is necessary to facilitate the provision of suitable foster care accommodation for a child with disabilities. This aligns with the Council's strategic priorities. In accordance with the Council's Constitution (May 2015), the approval of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Property is required to authorise the purchase.

### **Rationale and justification for reaching the Decision:**

The Hafan y Sêr facility was originally established to provide temporary care for up to six children with disabilities. Since the end of September 2024, one child has been residing at Hafan y Sêr for whom no suitable long-term placement has yet been identified. Unfortunately, due to the family's circumstances, a return home is not possible.

Hafan y Sêr is not designed to support long-term placements, and the child's needs are not compatible in the long term with those of other children accommodated at the facility. Furthermore, demand for placements at Hafan y Sêr remains high. It is therefore essential that the Council develops a long-term solution that offers the child a stable and nurturing environment, conducive to their developmental and emotional well-being.

The property under consideration would provide such an environment, offering a setting that closely resembles a family home while also accommodating the child's complex needs. The possibility of accommodating an additional child in the future may be explored, subject to compatibility of needs.

Funding for the acquisition of the property will be provided through the Regional Integration Fund for Health and Social Care. Following consultation with the local planning authority, it has been confirmed that a change of use application is not required. The Council will ensure that the purchase price does not exceed the property's Market Value.

**Record of any personal interest by any Cabinet Member consulted and any dispensations approved by the Standards Committee:**

None.

**Any consultations undertaken prior to making the Decision:**

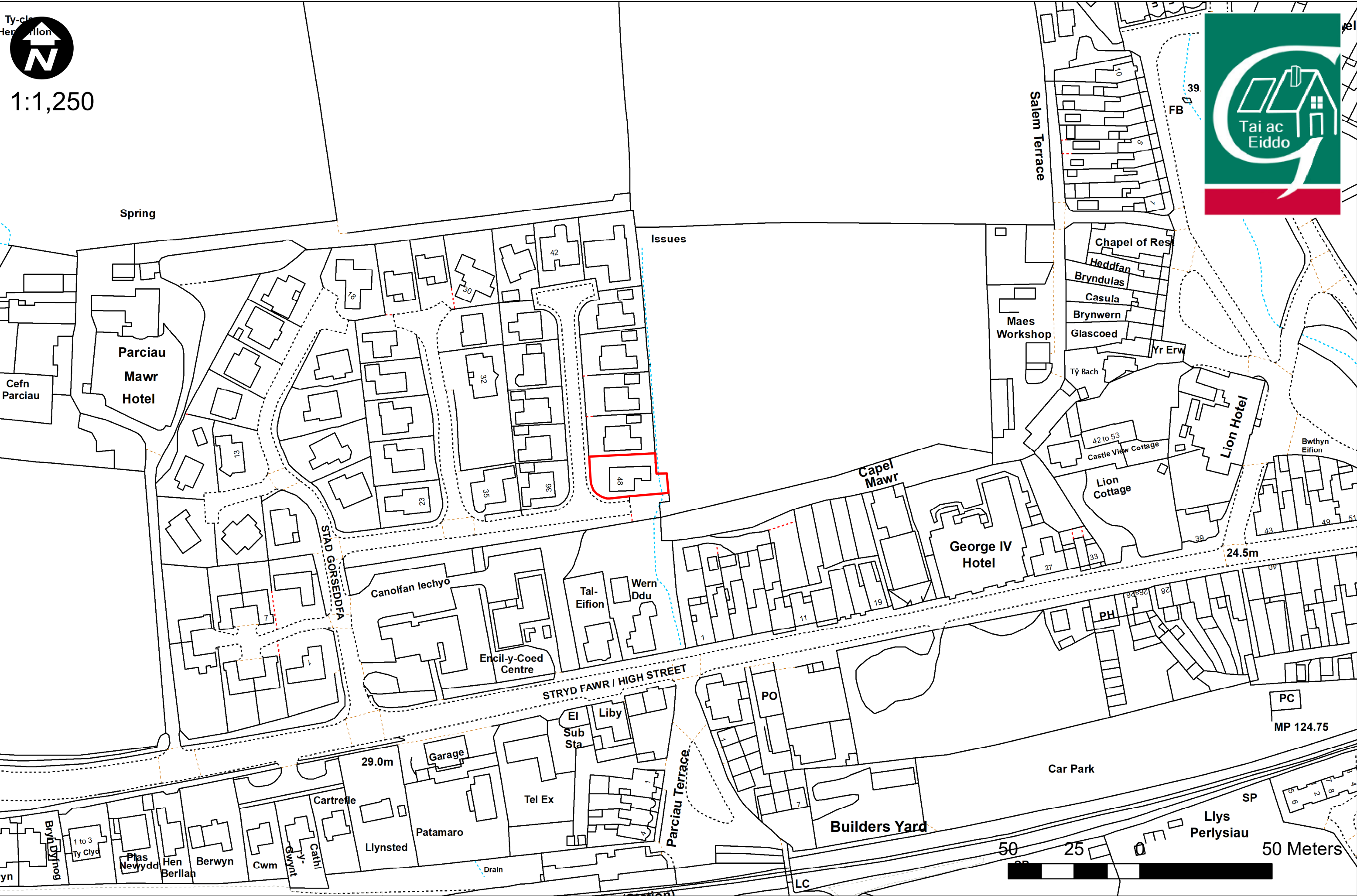
None.

**Chief Finance Officer – Dewi Morgan** – “I am satisfied that a funding source for this acquisition has been identified, and I have no objections to the decision sought.”

**Monitoring Officer – Iwan Evans** – “No observations to add in relation to propriety”

**Local Member/s –**

**Councillor Sian Williams** – “No objections.”



# 48 Gorseddfa, Cricieth